

# EXTRA.

URT A FUGITIVE.

**Card Sharper Hastily Abandons Criminal Proceedings.**

### Warrant Out for the Swindler's Arrest for Perjury.

He was honorably discharged from the army in the Tomba Court. This is the sequel to the exposure published in "The Evening World" nearly two weeks ago, when Hurt, aided by the others, tried to cheat Mr. McDonald, of 500 Broadway, at a poker game in the Waldorf Hotel. In that story it was told how McDonald caught Hurt in the act of cheating, and promptly called him a liar and blackleg. "The Evening World" also published Hurt's Western record, and told how he had been driven out of Butte City, Mont., for the same

most immediately Mr. Hurt made a bluff of bringing suit against "The World" for libel. He also brought suit against other papers as well as criminal proceedings. He little knew the strength of evidence against him that had been carefully collected.

It was only this afternoon at 1 o'clock when the examination in the criminal charge was called in the Tombs Police Court before Justice Martin, that Hurt's guilt became known. It was known to the lawyer, Mr. Steele, of 44 Broadway street, last night. He was on hand this morning to make ample apology.

He also told how completely even he—lawyer and man of the world that he is—has been duped by Hurt.

"If Your Honor please," Mr. Steele said to the Court, "I want to state that Mr. Hurt is not here. He has fled."

This caused a profound sensation.

"Yes, he has fled," continued the law officer, "and I want to say that I deem it my duty to spare no expense and trouble to bring him back. Not for the purpose of having him prosecute these gentlemen, and to whom I heartily apologize, so that I may prosecute him for the

He fled; took a boat for New Orleans yesterday, as I understand. The moment he lands there I will have him arrested and brought back."

Lawyer Steele, who seemed to be deeply affected by his client's conduct, the next day went on to tell of his different interviews with Hurt.

He told how Hurt had come to New Orleans immediately after the publication of the Waldorf Hotel story, protesting his innocence, and demanding that suit be brought. He made a sworn statement of his innocence, and gave the

investigated his references," said the lawyer, "and saw that he had helped these people, all of whom are respectable, just as he has duped more than 20 affidavits from the men, Fisher and Smith, who were in the game with him, fully corroborating his story. On all these statements and from my knowledge of Hurt I believed he had a good cause of action. I advised him so and it was on my advice, made in good faith, that he procured the arrest of William McDonnell and the others for criminal libel.

for that acted perfectly fair and honest and faith all the way through. I cannot apologize."

Mr. Steele went on to say that even yesterday afternoon he believed in Hurl's innocence. He had a long interview with Hurl in his office, and Hurl told him he had evidence enough to show his innocence.

The lawyer made a further appointment at Hurl's hotel at 5 o'clock last evening. When Mr. Steele got to the hotel, however, Mr. Hurl was not there. The lawyer then told how he had made inquiries and discovered that Hurl

father." Then he went further and found that all the charges made in "The Evening World" against Hurst were true; that the gambler had been nearly every way. When he sat down after making a biology, perspiration was dripping from Siegel's brow. Then Lawyer Price who was associated with John Reilly for a defense, arose. "There was little for him to say," he said, after such a statement. "There is only one thing, namely, that the defendants had come there prepared with the whodung evidence to prove not only that they had been wrong about the hurt was true, but that one-quarter

...the warrant charges perjury in swearing to accusations which he knew to be false. Neither Fisher nor Smith, Hurt's witnesses, was in court.

